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Claims 1-26 are in the case and subject to restriction requirement. Since the requirement was properly made, then the restriction requirement was properly made, then the restriction is repeated and now made Final.

Claims 15-21, 26 stand withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-14, 22-35 remain rejected as stated in the last Office action, mailed 5/23/91.

Applicant's arguments filed 8/19/91 have been fully considered but they are not deemed to be persuasive. Claims fail to structurally define over the art. The claimed conventional elements are clearly shown by the prior art references. TWO-step combustion process is well known in the art. With regard to the oxygen contents of the combustion in each chamber, this is merely an adjustment of ^{fuel} ~~fuel~~ and air ratio. Moreover, the after burner of the prior art references may serve as O₂ rich combustion chamber 206.

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

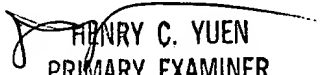
A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE TO THIS FINAL ACTION IS SET TO EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS ACTION. IN THE EVENT A FIRST RESPONSE IS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE MAILING DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION AND THE ADVISORY ACTION

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IS NOT MAILED UNTIL AFTER THE END OF THE THREE-MONTH SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD, THEN THE SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD WILL EXPIRE ON THE DATE THE ADVISORY ACTION IS MAILED, AND ANY EXTENSION FEE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) WILL BE CALCULATED FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THE ADVISORY ACTION. IN NO EVENT WILL THE STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE EXPIRE LATER THAN SIX MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS FINAL ACTION.


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